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SUBJECT: SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THE FARMER INCOME SUPPORT PROJECT - CONSULTANCY SERVICES - MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE ACCOUNT, MOZAMBIQUE:

REF. N. QCBS-MCA-MOZ-4A-08-22

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Trade Opportunity Information

17. The Millennium Challenge Corporation, on behalf of the United States Government, The Ministry of Planning and Development (MPD), on behalf of Government of Mozambique, have entered into a Millennium Challenge Compact for Millennium Challenge Account assistance to help facilitate poverty reduction through economic growth in Mozambique (the "Compact")Q the amount of approximately USD 507 million (MCC funding). The Government, acting through Millennium Challenge Account Mozambique ("MCA Mocambique"), intends to apply a portion of the MCC Funding to eligible payments under a contract for which the Request for Proposals is issued. Any payments made under the proposed contract will be subject, in all respects, to the terms and conditions of the Compact and related documents, including restrictions on the use of MCC funding and conditions to the disbursements of MCC funding. No party other than the Government and the MCA Mozambique shall derive any rights from the Compact or have any claim to the proceeds of MCC Funding.

The objective of the proposed program is to reduce poverty through economic growth in Niassa, Cabo Delgado, Nampula, and Zambezia Provinces by focusing in physical assets, policy reform, capacity building and institutional strengthening. The program contains four projects:

- (i) Water Supply and Sanitation (WSSP)
- (ii) Roads
- (iii) Land Tenure Services
- (iv) Farmer Income Support

Implementing entities for the various projects will include government ministries and agencies, NGOs, private companies or other entities. This invitation for Proposals follows the General Procurement Notice that appeared in dgMarket on July 29, 2008; UNDB Online on August 5, 2008 and Jornal Noticias on August 1, 2008.

18. The MCA-Mozambique now invites Consultant Services to submit "Proposals" to develop the Farmer Income Support Project, in Zambezia and Nampula Provinces. More details on the services are provided in the Terms of Reference. The Service Provider will provide services to increase farmer income by introducing modern productivity practices to poor households in the target provinces for production of key agriculture crops in demand by domestic and export markets. Specifically, the Service Provider will carry-out actions to deter the spread of Coconut Lethal Yellowing Disease ("CLYD") which is devastating productivity and income generation of the coconut industry. Also, the Service Provider will work with these target households to diversify and develop value chains of short term crops such as pulses, tubers, and vegetables to reduce risks associated with mono-cropping to better stabilize sources of nutrition and incomes for poor households in the project area. The Service Provider will develop capacity of responsible public and private institutions to develop and apply plant protection protocols to ensure the viability and sustainability of the key agriculture

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value chains for future generations; including monitoring and managing social risks associated with the intervention strategy. All aspects of this project will be conducted following a process of community/small farmer participation in design, awareness, and monitoring of service delivery.

- 19. A consultant will be selected under the "QCBS" method, the evaluation procedure for which is described in sections of the RFP in accordance with "MCC Program Procurement Guidelines" which are provided on the MCC website: www@mcc.gov. The SPN and complete RFP will be placed on the http://mcc.dgmarket.com; http://www.devbusiness.com and http://www.mpd.gov.mz. Alternatively, please contact focal points indicated on Item 6B to receive an electronic copy of the complete RFP. Consultant submissions should make reference to REF No.: QCBS-MCA-MOZ-4A-08-22: SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THE FARMER INCOME SUPPORT PROJECT, which must be submitted no later than 10:00 a.m. (local time) on October 17, 2008 on the above mentioned address.
- 110. For more information on this or other trade and investment matters in Mozambique, please contact us at:

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